# STAYING WELL

# **Frozen and Canned Food Benefits**

# Easy 3 Bean Salad

## **Ingredients:**

- 15 oz can garbanzo beans
- 15 oz can kidney beans
- 15 oz can green beans
- 1/2 cup diced red onion
- 1/3 cup canola oil
- 3/4 cup white vinegar
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp pepper

#### Directions:

- 1. Whisk oil, vinegar, sugar, salt, and pepper together in a large bowl.
- 2. Drain and rinse all beans
- 3. Add bean and diced onion to the same large bowl as the vinegar and oil mixture and toss to coat.
- 4. Refrigerate for 8 hours or overnight.
- 5. Drain off excess oil before consuming.

#### **Nutrient Packed:**

- Frozen and canned produce is processed at peak freshness, actually maximizing nutrient retention.
- Nutrients lost through the freezing and canning process vary by produce and generally small losses.

#### Reduced Food Cost

 Freezing and canning increases produce shelf life, which decreases the amount of money spent on food spoilage and waste.

### **Increased Variety in Meals**

 Fresh produce is highly dependent on season and availability. Choosing frozen and canned produce allows freedom to eat a variety throughout the year regardless of season.





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